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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Osmo NIKULAINEN et al.  
Serial No.: Not yet known  
Filed: Simultaneously  
For: **ROLL FOR A PAPER OR BOARD  
MACHINE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 9, 2000

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (reference is made to the lines as numbered).

Page 1, line 5, insert --FIELD OF THE INVENTION--;

lines 6-7, delete entire text and insert therefor the following:

~~The present invention relates to a roll for a paper or board machine, and in particular to a roll of the type having a number of openings extending through the mantle.~~

line 8, insert --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 3, lines 10-11, delete entire text;

lines 13-14, delete entire text;

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